

Parents must register pupils for caning under punishment Bill

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

Parents who want their children to continue to be beaten for misdeemeanors in British schools will have to register their request, under the Corporal Punishment Bill published yesterday.

Attack on 'Too much grammar' in English lessons

By Our Education Correspondent

Criticism of the state of design education in British schools, which, it is claimed, should often be more properly described as "art" or "craft", has been made by the Society of Industrial Artists and Designers.

Future of fraud cases

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Complicated fraud cases before a court could be streamlined by creating a group of specialist judges to hear them, according to Sir Thomas Heherington, the Director of Public Prosecutions.

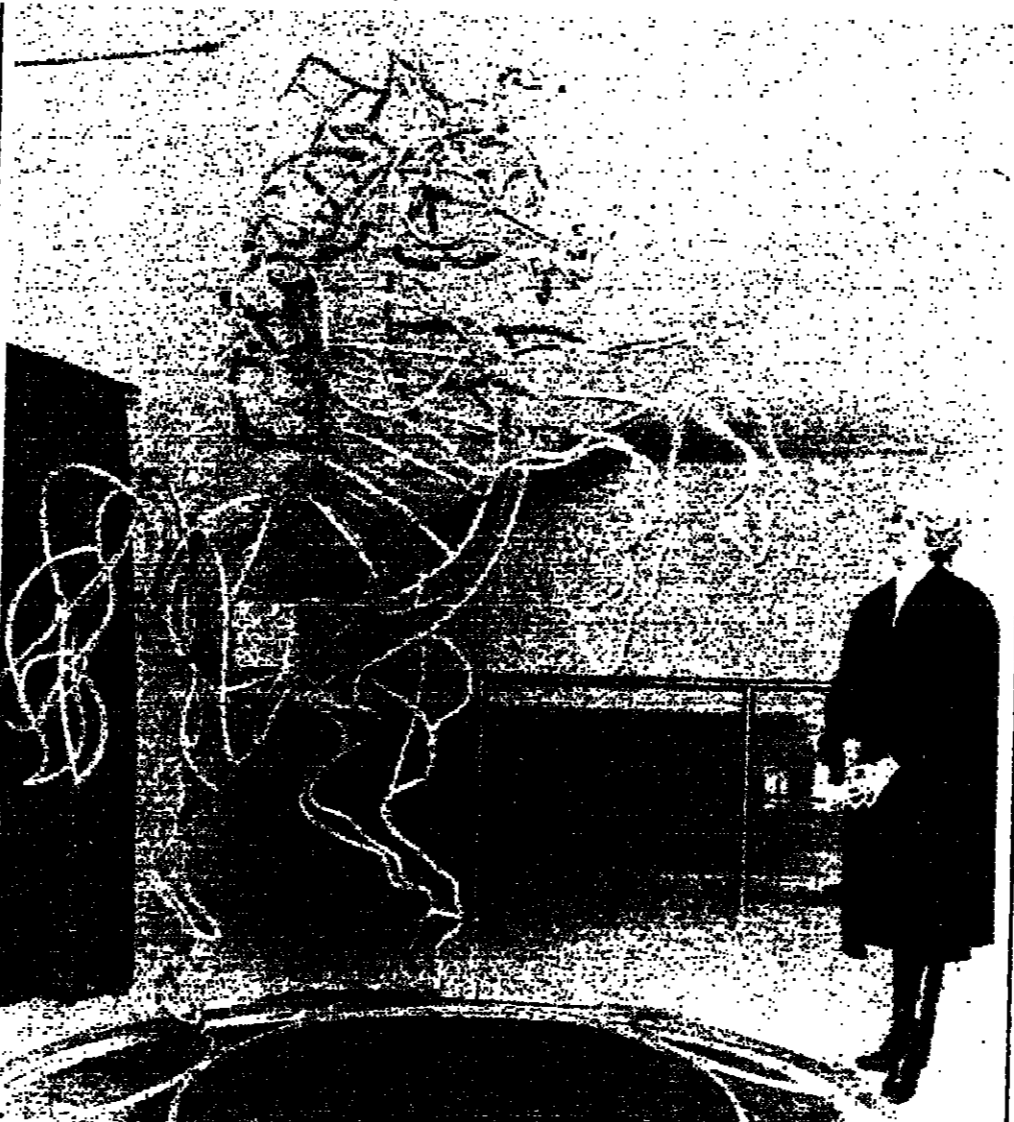


Sir Thomas Heherington: avoiding lengthy trials.

Evidence such as accounting issues. There could also be legislation to end the need for live evidence from abroad on simple points.

More live together before marriage

In the early 1970s only a small number of young couples anticipated the married state by living together.



A skeletal steel sculpture of the white horse Invicta, symbol of the county of Kent, which has been erected at the new Crown Court at Maidstone, opened by the Queen last November. The sculptor, Stephen Hicklin, created the piece in six weeks, to meet the opening date.

Sinclair's pedal car sells out

By Clifford Webb, Motoring Correspondent

Public reaction to the Sinclair C5 electrically assisted trike overwheeled the company's switchboards yesterday.

AIDS screening tests ready for use soon

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

Screening tests which will help to prevent the disease AIDS being transmitted through blood transfusions are likely to be generally available in Britain and the United States within the next few months.

Test-tube triplets for TB victim

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

"Test-tube" triplets born to a woman previously infertile were delivered safely in a London hospital yesterday.

Drug mix blamed for test volunteer's death

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

An Irish art student who died while acting as a guinea pig in tests of a new heart drug had concealed a history of mental illness, it was disclosed yesterday by the doctors in charge of the trial at a private testing centre in Dublin.

Driver caused friends' deaths

A drunken learner driver who caused the deaths of two friends was jailed for three-and-a-half years and banned from driving for 10 years at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Two die in fire

Mr Herbert Hansell and his brother-in-law Mr Edward Martin, died in a fire at their home in Bright Street, Stoke-on-Trent, yesterday. Both were in their eighties.

Train crash driver 'passed red signal'

From Peter Davenport, Manchester

The driver of a passenger express train went through a red danger signal seconds before crashing into the rear of an oil tanker train, causing an explosion and fire which killed three people and injured 68 others, an inquiry heard yesterday.

Clarrie of The Archers quits over time off

Heather Bell, the actress who plays Clarrie Grundy in the BBC Radio series The Archers, has left the programme because she was refused permission to attend the funeral of her fictional father-in-law, Joe Grundy.

Caught on video

Detectives mounted a super-market video camera on the roof of the flat where the body of a 31-year-old man was found.

Book sale ends

Marks and Spencer has ended an experiment to sell paperback books at discount prices at 13 stores because of poor sales.

Grants refused

The Forestry Commission has decided to refuse paying towards the proposed planting of 243 hectares in the Cumbria, Cumbria, Lord Belstead, Minister of State at the Department of Agriculture, said such planting would have an adverse effect on that part of the Lake District National Park.

Rector's reward

The Rev Andrew Warner, Rector of Great Bookham, Surrey, who helped police to track a burglar, was praised for his "great presence of mind" and awarded £50 by Judge Argyle QC at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Saxon secret

Evidence of a large sixth century Anglo-Saxon settlement has been discovered near Malton in North Yorkshire. The position of the 16-acre site is being kept secret by archaeologists.

Dogs attack baby

Andrew Willis, aged 11 months, has undergone plastic surgery after being attacked by his family's two Lurcher dogs in the dining room of his home in Pontop Cottages, Dipton, co Durham. The dogs have been destroyed.

Water warning

People in north-east Wales may face water rationing unless they reduce consumption, after pollution of the River Dee, the Welsh Water Authority said yesterday.

£39,276 for fund

An appeal organized by Essex County Council for the widow, and family of PC Brian Bishop, shot dead after an armed raid at Frinton last summer, raised £39,276.

Nurses could not reconnect man's respirator

An inquest was held yesterday that nurses in an intensive care ward at St Andrew's Hospital, Bow, east London did not know how to change sockets in a respirator when electricity was cut off during a routine check of the generators.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Base Rate

The Royal Bank of Scotland plc announces that with effect from close of business on 11th January 1985 its Base Rate for lending is being increased from 9 1/2 per cent per annum to 10 1/2 per cent per annum.

Activity	%
Going to the cinema	7
Visiting museum/gallery	3
Going out for meal	40
Dancing	4
Fishing	11
Soccer	6
Rugby	1
Keep fit/yoga	1% men, 5% women
Horse riding	18
Walking (2 miles or more)	18
Listening to tapes/records	63
Gardening	44
DIY	38

Year	Subscribers	% of TV licence holders
1980	2,582	13.8
1981	2,554	13.4
1982	2,450	12.9
1983	2,352	12.3

Senator's controversial tour

Kennedy defies laws of South Africa in visit to Mandela prison

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

Senator Edward Kennedy stood outside Pollsmoor Prison yesterday and called for the release of Nelson Mandela...

Prisons Act forbids the photographing of penal institutions. But throughout the Kennedy tour, many of the restrictions that normally muzzle the press in South Africa have been waived...

in defiance of her banning order, which allows only one visitor at a time. Basically, the Government's attitude towards the senator's visit appears to have been that given enough rope, he would verbally hang himself.

Behind these walls are men who are deeply committed to the cause of freedom in this land. It was not the first time since the senator arrived last Saturday that the authorities have turned a blind eye to flagrant violation of their laws or ever had a part in bending them.

Next day, in Brandfont, the whole Kennedy party - the senator and six members of his family - embraced Mrs Winnie Mandela on the front lawn of her home.

The black newspaper, The Sowetan, regretted that the visit highlighted disagreement within black politics, adding: "We would be naive to expect the visit is going to make any difference to the situation of blacks in this country..."

Host in 'dirty tricks' row

From Our Correspondent, Johannesburg

An extra-marital affair between Dr Allan Boesak, the Coloured South African churchman who is Senator Edward Kennedy's host in Cape Town, and a white churchwoman has been alleged in a "dirty tricks" operation mounted by the security police...

"and I have no doubt as to the source of that. Because of what it is, and because of what it is trying to do, I do not think it is even worth my comment, so I'll just leave it as it is."

Dr Boesak, married with four children, is among the Government's harshest critics. According to The Star, South Africa's biggest-selling English-language newspaper, the affair has been fairly well-known in church circles for some time.

Colonel on trial blames his general

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Nervous, stumbling under cross-examination, the mid-level senior of the four Polish secret policemen accused of involvement in the killing of Father Jerzy Popieluszko, yesterday tried to shift some of the blame on to his superior, a general in charge of clandestine monitoring of the Roman Catholic Church.

Officers tell how Hanoi troop levels were faked

New York (NYT) - Evidence that four former US intelligence officers claimed to have witnessed or taken part in the arbitrary reduction of estimates of Vietnamese enemy strengths was presented this week in court...

General Westmoreland denies this and contends that CBS defamed him by saying he had deceived President Johnson and the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Besides CBS, the defendants are Mr Adams, Mr George Crile, producer of the documentary, and Mike Wallace, its narrator.



Focus of attention: Mr Son Sann facing reporters on the Thai-Cambodian border

Cambodians give up fight for bases

From Our Correspondent, Bangkok

Cambodian guerrillas have abandoned attempts to regain bases recently captured by Vietnamese forces near the Thai border. Mr Son Sann, leader of the Khmer Peoples National Liberation Front, said yesterday that it was not now their aim to try to retake their former headquarters at Ampil. Instead, his 15,000 guerrillas would give up fixed bases and become more mobile.

Mr Son Sann thanked the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asian), the United States, China, Britain, Sweden and other countries for supporting the Front with military or humanitarian aid. "If they (Vietnam) destroy us there will be no coalition," he said referring to the guerrilla alliance which the United Nations



Pulling out: Druse and Sunni Muslim militia withdrawing their tanks from the Kharroub region yesterday. It was part of the Lebanese security plan for the national Army's move south to the A'awi river.

Beirut fears flare-up after bank blast

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

At least three people were killed and 14 wounded in Beirut yesterday in the fifth attack on Druse targets in Lebanon within the past six weeks. At a time when fighting between the Druse and Christian Maronite Phalangists has steadily increased in the mountains above the capital, the bombing of the Druse-owned bank in Corniche Mazraa only served to emphasize the growing fear of more sectarian fighting in Beirut.

The daily bombings in Beirut and the rumours of another sectarian war in the city have brought all the Muslim militias back on to the streets. As a result, theft with violence is now so commonplace that most civilians stay indoors after dark.

JERUSALEM: A debate to determine the logistics of Israel's planned withdrawal from Lebanon is due to open at tomorrow's meeting of the National Unity Cabinet. A majority of whose members are thought to favour a phased withdrawal to the international border by the end of 1985.

Reagan may try to merge departments

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

President Reagan, in moving three veterans of his Administration to Cabinet posts has asked them to study the possibility of merging the Interior and Energy Departments and abolishing the Education Department. But the White House spokesman said that asking for these studies was not necessarily a decision to eliminate or reorganize the departments. Mr Reagan in his 1980 election campaign promises cuts on costly federal agencies.

Sri Lanka fury as India seizes ship

From Donovan Moldrich, Colombo and Kuldip Nayar, Delhi

India yesterday seized a Sri Lankan naval patrol boat, alleging that it had been patrolling in Indian waters, although this was later denied by the Sri Lankan High Commission in Delhi. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Colombo said last night that patrol craft 448 had been on routine patrol when it signalled that it had sighted some Indian trawlers and an Indian coastguard vessel.

Sharon not new Herod, jury told

New York (AP) - Mr Ariel Sharon's lawyer told the jury yesterday that in deciding the former Israeli Defence Minister's \$50 million (£44 million) libel suit against Time magazine he is remembered as a great man, a great soldier, or a monster.

Mr Sharon, Israel's Minister of Industry and Trade, claims on February 21, 1983, Time magazine libelled him in a paragraph saying he "discussed" revenge for the assassination of Lebanon's President-elect, Rashid Gemayel, with Phalangists one day before the Christian massacred hundreds of Palestinians at two refugee camps in Israeli-occupied West Beirut. Mr Sharon denies discussing revenge "with any Lebanese."

Australian pop star's bid fails

From a Correspondent, Melbourne

Despite all the publicity given to the fledgling Nuclear Disarmament Party's electoral hopes - pop star Peter Garrett in New South Wales and rebel labour senator Jean Mcelzler in Victoria - it is a 38-year-old mother from Western Australia who has been left to carry the torch for the party in the Senate in Canberra.

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Senator Mason's seat was the last to be declared, and he had to wait more than five weeks for the declaration of the December 1 poll. Labour again failed to get a workable majority in the Senate, which has been enlarged by 10 seats.

Peking's troops lose red stars

Peking (Reuters) - Chinese soldiers will lose the familiar single red star from their caps on May Day and wear a complex symbol involving wheat ears and cogwheels instead, the army newspaper said yesterday.

Turkish court sentences three Kurds to death

Ankara (Reuters) - A Turkish military court has sentenced three people to death and jailed more than 100 in a mass trial of Kurds accused of seeking to establish a separate Marxist state.

Zia arrests

Islamabad (Reuters) - Pakistan's military authorities arrested seven more opposition figures, four in Lahore and three in Rawalpindi, one day before President Zia is expected to announce a date for election.

The semi-official Anatolian News Agency said 329 alleged members of the Kawa guerrilla group were on trial before the court at Diyarbakir, eastern Turkey, for 18 murders committed before the 1980 military coup in Turkey. In addition to the death sentences, the court jailed one person for life and 118 others for up to 24 years. Of these, 13 received death sentences which were commuted because the defendants were under 18. The agency said 176 were acquitted.

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Lévesque in hospital after cutting holiday

Quebec City (Reuters) - Quebec's Premier Mr René Lévesque, who is 62, was admitted to hospital for tests after returning from holiday a week early. A spokesman for Enfant Jésus hospital promised a statement later.

Mr Lévesque showed signs of extreme fatigue in Quebec's provincial assembly before Christmas and aides conceded he was under severe strain because of a party crisis. Seven hardline ministers had quit his Cabinet after he decided against making independence the central issue in the next provincial election.

Syria asked for Nazi

Bonn (Reuters) - West Germany has requested the extradition from Syria of Herr Alois Brunner, a former SS captain and top aide to Adolf Eichmann alleged to have deported more than 78,000 Jews to extermination camps during the Second World War.

The French Nazi-hunter Serge Klarsfeld said he had traced Herr Brunner to Damascus where he was living under the assumed name of Dr Georg Fischer. He would be a much more important catch than Klaus Barbie.

German saws way from jail

Sarrequeimines, France (Reuters) - A West German businessman, Kurt Hein, aged 45, held here on fraud charges, escaped by sawing through the bars of his cell with a battery-powered saw. Accomplices helped him over the walls with bedsheets and rope.

In September, Herr Hein was chased through the streets by the workers of his factory in nearby Hombourg-Budange after they found he had moved out all the machinery while they were on holiday and transferred it to his wife's factory in Germany.

Tear gas used on rioters

Noumea (AFP) - New Caledonia riot police using tear gas clashed with about 300 stone-throwing demonstrators, mostly Europeans, yesterday. The demonstrators were protesting outside the High Commissioner's office at the reported killing of a teenage white soldier.

Banda's men

Lilongwe (AFP) - Three ministers swap jobs in President Kamuzu Banda's Malawi Cabinet, dissolved eight days ago. Mr Wadson Dzerza (formerly Labour) moves to Transport, Mr Stephen Hara (Transport) goes to Trade, Industry and Tourism, and Mr Katola Phiri (Trade) gets the Labour portfolio.

Cholera scare

Nairobi (AFP) - Cholera is affecting a large area of eastern Africa, and it is feared the death toll may be higher than officially admitted. Six out of Kenya's eight provinces, including Nairobi, have been hit but at the height of the tourist season officials will not call it an epidemic.

A la Hemingway

Paris (Reuters) - A new \$30,000 annual literary prize aimed at reviving the spirit of adventure and courage which marked the work of Ernest Hemingway is soon to be awarded in one of the late American writer's favourite cities, Paris.

Prague change

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Chess break

Moscow (AP) - Anatoly Karpov, the defending champion, who is leading 3-1 in the world championship, yesterday requested a postponement of the 41st game. His next encounter with Gary Kasparov will be on Monday.

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PRESENTING PARLIAMENT

The House of Lords returns on Monday with the lights in place for a six months experiment in television coverage. Ten days later the cameras will be brought in for a debate on unemployment, which has been chosen as the first occasion likely to attract the kind of interest appropriate for inaugurating the experiment.

Today we have Hansard's bald and verbatim account of proceedings, descriptive parliamentary reporting, which can include the asides and interruptions not in the official report, and most recently, radio coverage. Should we now also have television? It would inflate that entertainment-gear medium beyond its capacity to support the sum of public knowledge by sustained transmissions of speeches on, say, the complexities of housing benefits or the common agricultural policy.

THE COLD AND THE POUND

The Thatcher Government, which spent last autumn touching wood against a Scargill winter, can be forgiven for wishing the world's weather would now turn cold enough to harden the ice under oil prices. For the currency markets have become so jittery that even a one point rise in bank base rates yesterday did little to boost the pound.

explain why dollar prices should crumble; but also leads us into another tangle of nonsense about the balance of advantage to Britain. A lower oil price would be of unqualified benefit to the 94 per cent of the British economy which does not arise in the North Sea.

LAUGHTER IN THE AISLES

In Oliver Cromwell's day there was one sect of puritans who regarded laughter as a form of blasphemy. Whatever one laughed at, God had created it, and mockery of God's creation must be blasphemous. Similar ideas were current in the medieval church, and found reinforcement in the claim that there were no jokes among the recorded utterances of Jesus (a dubious proposition, and incompatible with the useful scholarly practice of explaining away obscure passages by the theory that he had an irresistible weakness for untranslatable Aramaic puns).

himself sufficiently to either party, and as time went by became too alarmingly engorged with scorn and frustration for anyone to dare to bring him out of his Dublin exile to an English bishopric.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Renewed contact with Russians

From the Vice-Provost of Coventry Cathedral Sir, It is good that Geneva has produced a cautious new climate for Russian and American relations, but the building of confidence and trust between East and West will need years of patient diplomacy, not only at the highest levels.

With the Lord Mayor of Coventry I have recently been to Volgograd (Stalingrad) to celebrate the fortieth anniversary of a town-twinning link which began in 1942 and was formalized in 1944. Some people will remember that King George VI sent an engraved sword to the people of Stalingrad, and Coventry sent a number of gifts, the most significant being a tablecloth embroidered with many names from the mothers of Coventry to the mothers of Stalingrad.

These gifts are among Volgograd's most treasured possessions and every year delegations of citizens and school children are involved in reciprocal visits between the two cities.

Yours sincerely, PETER BERRY, Vice-Provost, Coventry Cathedral, 7 Priory Row, Coventry, January 9.

Too many African mouths to feed?

From Mr Charles Morrison, MP for Devizes (Conservative)

Sir, Yet again The Times has drawn attention to the consequences of population growth, particularly in Africa. The article entitled "White elephant graveyard" in your edition of January 3, while describing mistakes in aid and development policy, states that the central problem is over-population following the advent of modern medicine.

It is ironic that medical progress has been a major factor leading to the photographs of suffering humanity in Ethiopia, which in recent months have become so common in newspapers and on television. Of course, such events have induced generosity on an unprecedented scale, totalling about £25 million in voluntary contributions already.

Thus, while we must provide food aid in the short term, and recognise that without this aid even those who have managed to survive so far will probably die, in the long term very much more is needed.

Yours faithfully, CHARLES MORRISON (Chairman, All-party Group on Population and Development), House of Commons.

concern that in discussion of the Ethiopian crisis, population growth often is still overlooked or dismissed as irrelevant. This blinkered attitude ignores the positive health benefits for mothers and children of family planning and connected health programmes.

The integration of these projects into long-term development plans is vital if there is to be any serious attempt to improve maternal and child health and to slow down the rate of population growth. It is important to remember that 43 per cent of Ethiopia's population is under the age of 15; on present trends its population will double in 29 years.

Long-term, sustained support for African development is essential and must, in the greater part, come from governments. The World Bank's conclusion that, for Africa, funding of population and health projects must be sustained and "somewhat insulated from short-term budgetary pressures" must be taken to heart by governments and international agencies.

By the same token, the United States Government must be persuaded to review its decision to withdraw funding from the International Planned Parenthood Federation, the leading non-governmental agency in this field. The only result of this short-sighted move will be to reduce the federation's ability to fund overseas family planning projects, thus increasing maternal mortality and morbidity by driving unwillingly pregnant women to the illegal abortionists.

Yours faithfully, CHARLES MORRISON (Chairman, All-party Group on Population and Development), House of Commons.

ON THIS DAY JANUARY 12 1785 The Times, in its scuddling clothes was a mélange of news snippets from home and the Continent, commercial and shipping intelligence and Parliamentary information.

Calorie count

From Mrs Patricia H. Vale Sir, Soup establishments during the Napoleonic wars ("On this day", January 3) sent Mrs Rowland (January 3) to her Mrs Beeton. I have inherited a book of recipes in manuscript - watermark GR1794, but kept over many years - containing "M Soyer's Soup for the poor" possibly prepared for the soup kitchens established in Dublin in 1847.

An adjacent recipe is headed "Plum pudding for the Million". Yours faithfully, PATRICIA H. VALE, Middle House, Long Street, Cerne Abbas, Dorset, January 7.

Not so brief candle

From Mr Brian Lewis Sir, One of the pleasures of your issue of January 11, 1985, were the advertisements of "sales by candle". In France such sales still exist in the case of bankrupt stock. Bidding continues until the third candle lit by the auctioneer burns itself out. It gives time for reflection! Yours faithfully, BRIAN LEWIS, 39 Avenue Victor-Hugo, 75116 Paris, France, January 4.

Youthful reflections

From Mrs Patricia McFarland Sir, J. H. Foley's "Youth at the Stream", recently discovered at the Royal Albert Hall (report, January 4), is exactly the same as the statue at the edge of the river in Stratford-upon-Avon beside the canal lock at the Bancroft Gardens.

Treachorous traverse

From Mr Brian W. Hall Sir, Is it not ironic that at a time when the GLC is advertising that "pavements are for people" the general public are walking in the middle of the road to avoid the icy paths? Yours faithfully, BRIAN W. HALL, 5 Middle Street, EC1, January 9.

Hue and cry

From Mr Donald Cross Sir, Now ("Values", January 5) we have further details about The Times rose: "It is a magnificent red, between scarlet and crimson, it doesn't go blue, which is terribly important..." That it should come to this! But too much red! It is not, nor it cannot come to good! O temporal O flowers! Yours, DONALD CROSS, 8 Sherwood Close, Exeter, Devon, January 9.

Repelling the pirates

From Mr Brian West Sir, David Hewson's review of pirate radio (January 4) is reasonably fair and accurate in every respect save one: the reason why licensed broadcasters object to the pirates and are dismayed at the Government's failure to deal with them.

Compensation orders

From the Chairman of the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board Sir, Please permit me to correct an error in your article (January 9) which may otherwise cause confusion.

Cyclists at risk

From Mr Oliver Clarke Sir, While I share Mr George Isted's disquiet (December 27) at the prospect of an army of 15-year-olds driving battery-powered cars around our streets, I feel that his comments in relation to pedal cyclists bear further scrutiny.

Teaching the young

From Mr J. F. Elton Sir, It is difficult for a campaigner in the classroom to find the energy to answer Digby Anderson's scurrilous attack (feature, January 9) on the competence of teachers. But I have one observation to make.

NUJ election

From Mr Gregory Neale Sir, Four times in the past four weeks, Bernard Levin has used the privilege of his column in The Times to support the candidates of his choice in the election for the new editor of the National Union of Journalists' newspaper, The Journalist.

Repair of housing stock

From the Chairman of the Ancient Monuments Society Sir, The one flaw that the Minister for Housing and Construction admits (January 4) in the maintenance of the national housing stock is "in tackling disrepair". This is not surprising as VAT is charged at 15 per cent on repairs whereas nothing is charged on new building.

Quality of mercy

From the Principal of St Chad's College, Durham Sir, Dr Rickards (January 9) seems to be expecting rather much of his inverted commas. It is a fact that Mrs Hallit was an illegal immigrant.

'Restructured' rugby

From Mrs R. R. A. F. Macrory Sir, An article in The Times in November, 1980, prompted Matthew Bloxam (to whom we owe the story of the game's invention) to recall football as played at Rugby in his boyhood in the early nineteenth century, before any "restructuring" had been imposed upon it.

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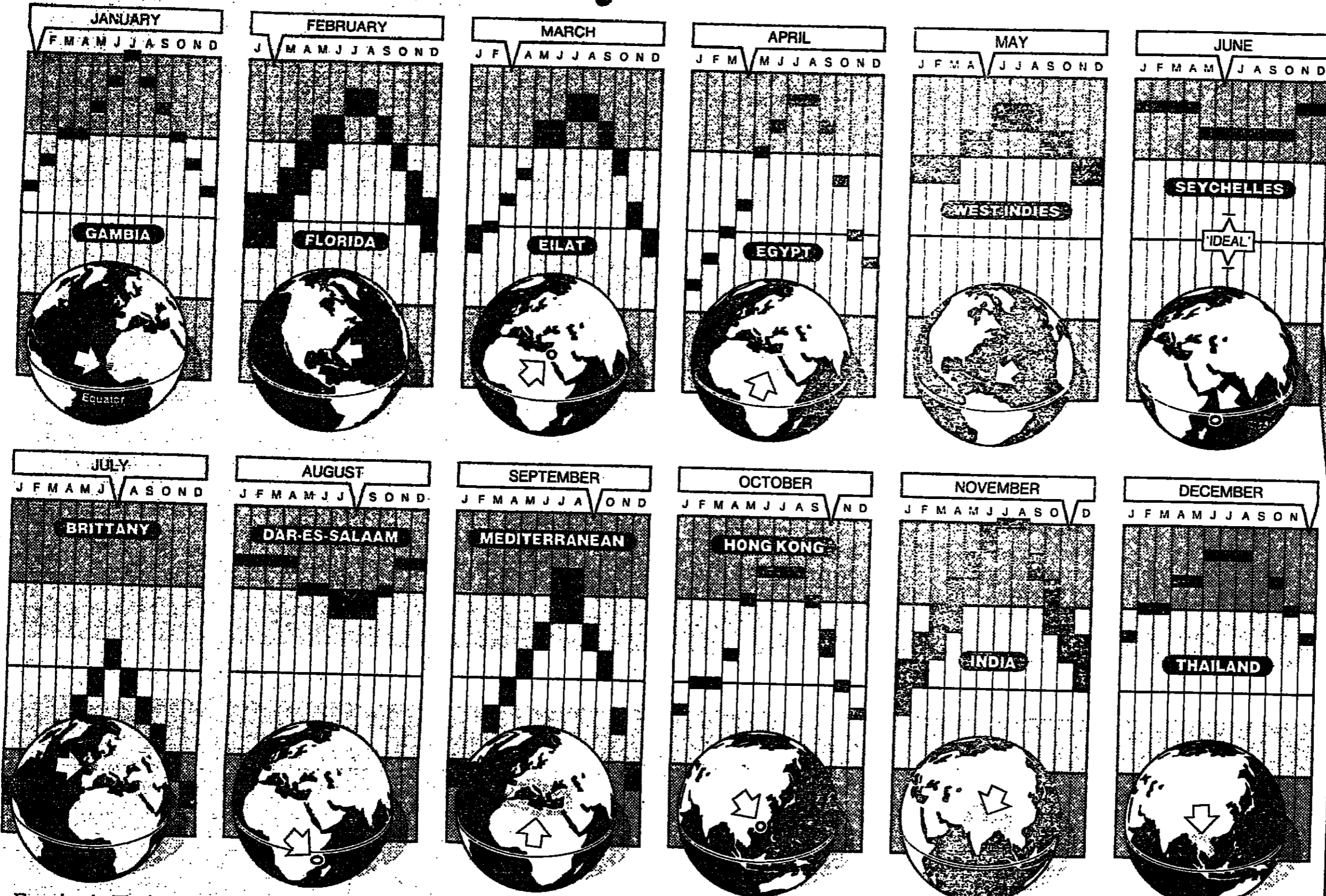
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HOW TO READ THE CHARTS: The charts are intended to give an approximate guide to the attractiveness of the weather in a good selection of popular holiday spots...

Freezing in Florida? Boiling in Eilat? You shouldn't have been. Clue up on climate and go where the weather suits your style. Bill Burroughs and Shona Crawford Poole read between the lines of statistics to reveal the true picture in twelve of the world's most interesting holiday spots

GAMBIA: A relative newcomer to the holiday scene, the Gambia's winter climate is excellent for sunbathing...

FLORIDA: The chart reflects the spread of winter temperatures and humidity, the steep gradient from south to north...

SEYCHELLES: The climate of the Seychelles is similar to much of the Caribbean, but because the islands are south of the equator...

EILAT: Very hot in summer, but sunny all year round. Pleasantly warm

EGYPT: Sightseeing must be the purpose of any holiday visit to Egypt and as the chart clearly shows, winter, the country's traditional tourist season, is the time to go...

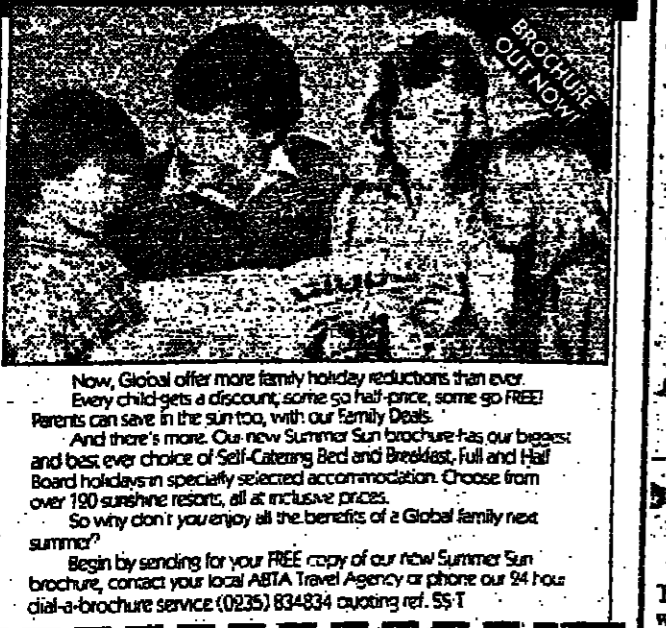
BRITANNY: The range shown covers the Atlantic coast from Brest to Biarritz. The Gulf Stream softens Brittany's climate just as it moderates the impact of the Atlantic Ocean on the shores of Cornwall, Ireland and the West Coast of Scotland...

WEST INDIES: Here the range reflects the difference between the Bahamas, which begin north of Miami, and the spread of Caribbean islands stretching south to within 10° of the equator...

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TRAVEL

Michael Ratcliffe takes in culture and kitsch on Germany's fairy-tale route; and Rob Neillands explores newly fashionable Turkey.

Hobnobbing with hobgoblins

Bewitched by the Fürstberg porcelain museum, we were already an hour late for Snow White and apprehensively pictured her in pale, faerie rage, tapping small feet on the cobbles of the platz where we were due to be welcomed, yet again.

Maybe she would have got fed up and gone home to catch *Tageschau* on the television; for an earlier planned welcome, Red Riding Hood had never shown up at all, thus occasioning low speculation among members of the party who had come fresh from seeing *Company of Dancers*.

Emerging on cue from the wedding house in that city wearing multi-coloured panto-hose and a tall feathered hat, the piper had slipped his way into the nearest shopping street.

Dusk had fallen so thoroughly on the little Huguenot river town of Bad Karlshafen by the time we finally arrived, that there was neither time nor light to register more than the Landgrave of Hesse's dock and a baroque square with the warm, yellow walls of central Europe and the south, which

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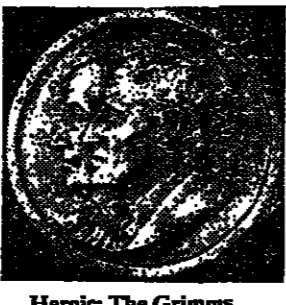
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Heroic: The Grimms



Hurrying and worrying: Arthur Rackham's view of Hamelin's children; and an old man at an Istanbul mosque



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Why talking Turkey makes good sense

Turkey is a country of surprises. The countryside is surprisingly green; Istanbul, the capital, is surprisingly beautiful, the castles and museums are surprisingly interesting, and the food is surprisingly awful.

This last point is not a commonly held view, I grant you, for we were frequently assured that Turkish cooking is one of the great cuisines of the world, fit to rank with that of China or Perigord. Far be it from me to argue with a chef, especially when he is large, cheery, and carrying a carving knife, but I never felt really

On the other hand, the wine is very good and very cheap, so there is no need to drink raki, however much your hosts insist. Raki is one of those dire infusions which local enthusiasts frequently force on travellers. It combines the worst of both worlds, having no visible effect the night before, but you wake up feeling ghastly in the morning.

That apart (and who knows?) you may like raki and odd things wrapped in vine leaves. Turkey is delightful and coming up fast in the tourist world as a desirable destination. Istanbul has been cleaned up a lot in recent years, and it sparkles above the blue waters of the Bosphorus, that fascinating waterway full of great ships ploughing upstream under the wide suspension bridge which

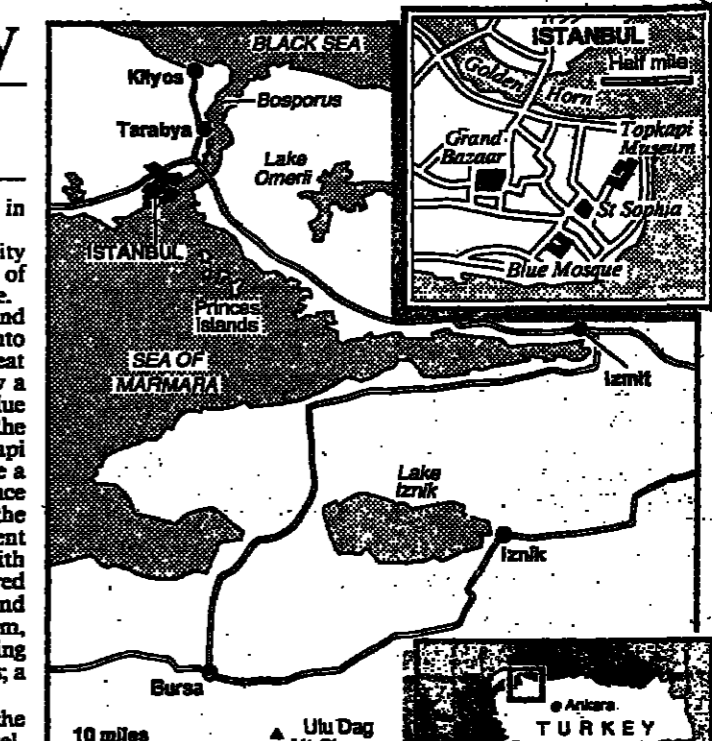
links Europe to Asia, to ports in the Black Sea and Russia. Istanbul is the sort of city which deserves three days of your holiday, or else a lifetime.

We took the first option and crossed the Golden Horn into the old city, to visit the great church of Hagia Sophia, now a museum, and inspect the famous jewels in the Topkapi museum, where you can have a memorable lunch at a terrace restaurant set high above the water. The afternoon was spent in hand-to-hand combat with the vendors in the covered bazaar, where five thousand shops compete for your custom, and we rounded off the evening with a cruise on the Bosphorus, a delightful experience.

The green shores of the Bosphorus are lined with marvelous old wooden houses, crying out for restoration, and dotted with small resorts and fishing ports. Here and there the crenellations of a medieval castle poke up above the rooftops, romantic relics of those Byzantine fortifications which were overwhelmed by the Turks when they captured the city in 1453 - and there are some curious distractions.

Stopping at the port of Tarabya, a small resort full of good hotels, we met a gypsy and his bear and invited them aboard our boat. The bear at least had no reservations about the food, clearing a plate of sugary *baclava* with one sweep of a hairy paw, and downing several bowls of raki-laced water with gusto; when we had to cast off, I don't think it wanted to leave.

Apart from the attractions of the old city of Constantinople and the Bosphorus, Istanbul is a good touring coast from which to visit the coast and country round about. Just an hour away lies the Black Sea resort of



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Kilyos, the perfect spot for a few days sunbathing with safe waters and a vast sandy, and half-empty, beach.

Ferries from the city-shore ply across to the Asian side and out to nearby Princes Islands in the Sea of Marmara. All of these are delightful and very green. The largest, Buyukada, is car-free, so that visitors must proceed to the coves and beaches in horse-drawn victorias or bicycles. I ought to add that the fish restaurants by the port here serve excellent seafood, and are very cheap.

These Turkish ferries are a marvellous way to get about this deeply-indented coastline, and can be an experience in themselves, especially on a Saturday morning when the locals leave the city and flock aboard for a trip to the nearest beach or island. The party begins as the ships cast off, and who but the Turks could sing and dance, stone cold sober, at nine o'clock in the morning, to the music of flute and drum?

South of Istanbul lie the historic towns of the Crusader road, that great highway which once led pilgrims to Jerusalem. Izmit, at the head of the Sea of Marmara, was once Nicomedia, a Byzantine city, while, further south, Iznik, once Nicaea, was the capital of the warlike Seljuk Turks when the First Crusade passed this way.

Further south still, over high hills cloaked with olive trees lies the beautiful old town of Bursa, founded in 180BC at the suggestion of Hanbal of Car-

thage, who is said to be buried at Gebze nearby. Set beneath the massif that climbs to the heights of Mount Olympus, Bursa contains a number of interesting tombs and mosques of the Ottoman Turks, but now chiefly famous as a spa and a winter sports resort, with good skiing available for five months of the year at Uludag, a few miles from the town.

To find skiing in Turkey was also a surprise. Another one awaited me when I got on the scales at home and discovered I had gained five pounds. It must have been something I ate.

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VALUES

Cold warriors

As Britain braces itself against the onslaught of snow and ice, Beryl Downing examines the most effective ways of beating the freeze



Here we go again. Winter arrives and what's in the shops? Socks clothes everyone else has rejected or flimsy new cottons for the spring which is more than likely to be a little late this year.

Even Marks & Spencer had spring clothes on display from December 10 - earlier than ever because of demand, they say. Well, good luck to all those going on early holidays, but I can't believe that there is no answer to this perennial problem of making room for new stock other than throwing out the old.

Warm underclothes

This ideal emporium would still have plenty of warm but pretty underwear in January, like the sleeveless vest and briefs (illustrated). In cream only - 70 per cent wool, 30 per cent silk. The vest is £5.99, briefs £3.99 at selected branches of British Home Stores, who assure me that stocks do still exist.



Children's cocoon It would be nice if children could be stitched into snowsuits and preferably left there all winter like eskimos. Mother-care branches have some sturdy, washable outfits in nylon with quilted lining for one to seven year-olds - the one shown is in grey and maroon, size 110cm (3ft 7in) at £11.50.

Tucked up travel

Any men who are remotely likely to rush to wrap a car rug over your knees are nearly all saving themselves for the Brighton vintage run, but you may find one who will invest in a pure wool smart black and white check rug, lined with red at £85.

Moveable heat

Keeping warm indoors is not nearly so easy to achieve with style. If you want an instant supplementary heater, or something to tide you over if the



States secrets

While Americans inundate London's sales, we take a trip across the Atlantic to look at shopping trends in the United States

We are about to embark on the Year of the Yup. It might also be the Epoch of the Executive Woman and it shows distinct signs of being cold and damp inside, as well as out. These predictions are based neither on Chinese astrology, nor on weather charts but on a much better barometer - the top-selling items I saw being snapped up in the United States at Christmas.

and women executives are programming their personal computers - from Marshall Field's while filling their over-heated houses with cold vapour gushing out of their new air purifiers. Holistic medicine is the new "heightened awareness" and the buzz words are Personal Care.

recently it has noted the growing number of Yups and female executives and is tailoring its business accordingly. The store's market research is pricing among its 1 1/2 million "active" customers and it knows exactly who they are, in which cities they shop, how often and in which departments.

Most of them have incomes of more than \$50,000 a year, compared with the average of \$15,000 to \$18,000. At \$10,000 you are considered the "working poor" in the US.

Women executives come way above that. Money they have. Time they haven't. So for a \$50 membership fee Saks provides them with an Executive Service in their Fifth Avenue Club. Each member has a personal consultant who learns her tastes and gets a collection together for her, maybe twice a year, so that a whole season's clothes can be tried and bought in a couple of time-saving sessions.

Table with 3 columns: City, Ticket Value, and Summer Prices. Cities include Alicante, Athens, Corfu, Faro, Gerona, Ibiza, Lisbon, Mahon, Malaga, Naples, Nice, Palma, Rhodes, Rimini, Rome, Tenerife, Tel Aviv, Verona, Vienna, Zurich.

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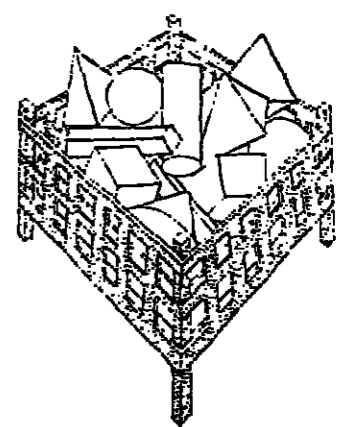


find nothing to complement the ultramodern decor of the rest of the house. His Geolog gas fire, illustrated, is based on a simple basket grate filled with geometric shapes in fire-cement. There are eight shapes - a cube, cylinder, sphere, tetrahedron, prism, pyramid, cone and rod - which can be supplied in any combination.

Blanket bargains

As a final resort you could always go to bed with a good blanket. The cheapest I have found is at a new chain of electrical retailers formed last autumn by merging Telefusion and Trident stores under one name, Connect.

They are the one-stop shops of the electrical trade, offering fridges, freezers, washing machines, televisions, audio, video and small appliances. Their electric underblankets by Winterwarm are smaller than more expensive ones but they have a three temperature control and are a good buy in their sale at £8.95, reduced from £10.95 (£10.95) double.



Shape of fires to come: Gas fired geometry from Myrad

central heating breaks down you have the choice of fake logs, or a fan heater which the Building Centre recommends as the most efficient form of electric heating. From a cost point of view gas fires are the most economical to run: electric fires of any kind cost about 3 1/2 p per kW per hour (it varies according to district) and bottled gas is as expensive as electricity, according to the Building Centre.

It costs about £46.64. For brochures and local stockists telephone the customer liaison department at 0703 777111. If, like me, you prefer to see your heat, there are heaters that are both radiant and convective, also with a thermostat, but alas they all have those hideous logs and canopies. I am not at all surprised that there are no radiant heaters on the Design Council's index, and if cross-manufacturers tell me they are selling like hot coals may I suggest it could be because there is no alternative?



Wanton luxury: The spacious designer floor at Saks makes British stores look cramped

looking well and buying quality. The London stores whose aims most nearly mirror this approach are Harvey Nichols and Liberty. Both started life by serving the carriage trade, but Harvey Nichols went slightly overboard for the Arab market 10 years ago before returning firmly to appeal to an up-market British taste, which certainly includes executive women.

Liberty has always appealed firmly to "discerning customers, whether they are paying 55p for a tea towel or £10,000 for a Persian carpet" as Rosalind Christie, their deputy managing director, puts it. Their aim has never wavered and the result is a well-deserved reputation for fine design.

Both stores have, in the American manner, identified their target customers, less through specific market research than through observation on the shop floor. Liberty's directors are already looking ahead to 1986 when they are planning to fill the gap between interior designer and home decorator by providing such items as "almost-ready-to-hang" curtains and pre-panneled wallpapers.

able to maintain and if you can't offer exclusivity, you have to offer variety. Frank Drewitt, the new managing director of Harrods, is well aware of the problems. More than 40 per cent of his customers are foreign visitors and they are looking for a huge range in every department, he says, so the store's biggest need is elastic sides. Within the next couple of years he hopes to build a £17m service centre outside central London so storage space and another whole floor can become selling area.

Ellis shop will be built in the store and sales assistants will be specially trained in the "concept" of the merchandise; they will receive proficiency badges and certificates.

It is all pure theatre, which is what American retailing is about. And, of course, it costs money - their profit margins are at least 5 per cent higher and while British department store owners have to struggle with monolithic buildings chosen by their forefathers in prime city sites developers of American out-of-town shopping malls often offer specially low rents to encourage national names to become their "anchor" stores and so attract smaller shops at higher rents.

Nevertheless we could do with a little more excitement in stores here, too. We have the display talent - all we need is a little more conviction in our marketing, and a refusal to allow the chain stores to have it all their own way. British Home Stores, for instance, is launching in-store financial services this spring which will include credit card and mortgage facilities, life insurance and savings plans. There is no shortage of imagination there and those stick-in-the-mud who reject what they consider to be brash American-style retailing might be reminded that both the Saks and Marshall Field groups are owned by a British company, BAT Industries.

American department stores are lifting themselves out of recession by emphasizing quality and service. You may need an interpreter to understand a lot of what they say, but those two words need no translation. B.D.

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IN THE GARDEN

Snow drops keep falling on my beds

Most parts of the South and East have been affected by snow over the past week, some much more than others. Snow, of course, usually comes with a change in temperature, which means it can arrive after the ground is frozen. This can be harmful to soil and plants and is difficult to deal with.



Flying feast: A blue tit taking a peanut from a hole drilled in a log

if possible in those areas where your most prized plants are growing. But the problem may not be too great because many of our native and fully hardy plants are not harmed by these conditions, providing they do not last too long.

Starry clusters

The jade plant, or Crassula arborescens, tolerates house conditions as well as any plant I know. It is a succulent and an evergreen; best of all it flowers during the depths of winter. At this time of year it is covered with clusters of tiny white starry flowers which rise above the light green foliage.

Ashley Stephenson

Feathered friends

The peanut has become a favourite winter food of a remarkable number of species of British birds. Now that nights are long and snow is on the ground, anyone who keeps a wire basket replenished with these nourishing nuts and puts out some bread or scraps, will be amply rewarded by the antics of the tits and finches that home in on them.

Jonathan Player

The battle is on for Hastings

No less than seven grandmasters and five international masters have taken part in the Premier Tournament which began in Hastings on December 29, and forms the chief part of the 60th International Chess Congress. The tournament ends tomorrow.

BRIDGE

Carp caught

Gerald Carp was in an especially malevolent mood which did not improve when he cut Doris Waterflow against his old rival, Horace Paradine, the mathematical bore, and Charles Grandace.

Jeremy Flint

FAMILY LIFE

The long and the short and the tall

It is hard to imagine a time when the Guinness Book of Records did not help to satisfy disputes over matters of fact or our curiosity for phenomenal extremes.



Gentle giant: Robert Pershing Wadlow, tallest man in the world

the video "data bank" where, at button push, you can see a variety of animals demonstrating their amazing prowess was well-liked.

from the flight of Sputnik 1 to the Shuttle - are fascinating.

Judy Froshaug

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Outings

HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS: Last two workshops on the subject of toys and games. Today from 11 am-4pm, a practical session showing children how to make their own cut-out doll. Tomorrow, from 2 to 4pm, make a cut-out toy for James Healey's Toyshop.

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COLLECTING

Picking up threads from a silky past

Had Iogue existed in the 18th century, it would have provided a fascinating record of the constant changes in the fabulous dress silks produced in Lyons at the time.

It is still possible to buy pieces of Lyons silk by known - and famous - designers of the 18th century. And, while the Lyons firm of Pellé et Cie is remaking some old designs it is actually cheaper to buy original fragments than to have new silk made.

Most people's idea of a typical eighteenth-century dress silk would be a pretty, floral chintz design, well-spaced and perhaps ribboned, in clear, bright colours.

In reaction to the flamboyance of the 18th-century style came rich and lavish floral patterns; following hard on the heels came the more prim lace designs, often in two shades of the same colour, as if a fine net of lace had been placed over a darker ground and then the bright prettiness of the naturalistic "meadow" silks.

Over the next 20 years his idiom was widely imitated, whether with heavy clusters of flowers or fruit, in more stylized motifs grouped along running floral and ribbon designs, or in closely copied chinoiserie.

By the 1770s Revel had been superseded by the imposing style of Philippe de LaSalle, a technically brilliant designer who produced furnishing fabrics for most of the royal courts of Europe.

In 1792 the French Revolution almost destroyed the Lyons weavers (and did destroy many of the actual silks), although business revived under Napoleon.

Auctions

CHESTER TREASURES: A week of specialist sales by Sotheby's of Chester includes silver, silver plate and jewellery (Tues, 11.30am).



Elegant fragment: Detail of a red silk panel, designed by Philippe de LaSalle for Catherine the Great of Russia

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CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 542)

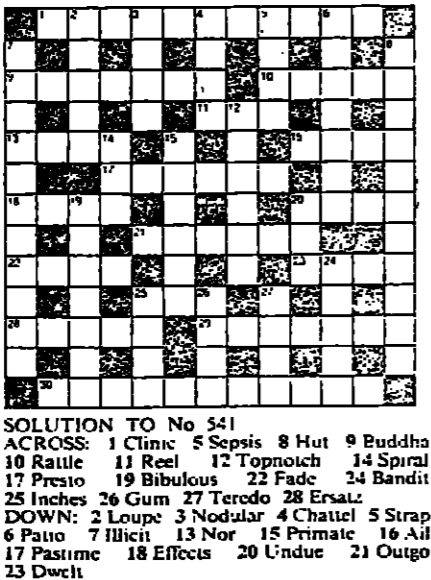
Prizes of the Collins Thesaurus will be given for the first two correct solutions opened by January 19, 1985.

ACROSS

- 1 Voting form (6,5)
9 Launching vehicle (7)
10 Scoopman (5)
11 One plus one (3)
12 Level (4)
13 Extended voyage (4)
17 Word blindness (6)
18 Change (4)
20 Cut short (4)
21 Disgrace (6)
22 Two-year sheep (3)
23 "Spaniard" (4)
25 Piercing look (3)
28 Lessen tension (5)
29 Paper folding (7)
30 Handwriting (11)

DOWN

- 2 Love deeply (11)
3 Great numbers (4)
4 Sour (4)
5 Car (7)
6 Capital (7)
7 Astronomy building (11)
8 Rabbits (11)
9 Complains (6)
10 No (3)
11 Present (6)
12 Finery (7)
13 Bounder (3)
14 Covered by waves (5)
15 Skaters' jump (4)
16 Yeoman (4)
17 En measure (4)
18 Hill, Longstaffe, Oxford, Surrey



SOLUTION TO No 541
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10 Reel 11 Topknock 14 Spiral
17 Presto 19 Ribulose 22 Fade 24 Bandit
25 Inches 26 Gum 27 Teredo 28 Erzal
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6 Pato 7 Fillet 12 Nor 15 Primate 16 Ad
17 Pastime 18 Effects 20 Undue 21 Outgo
23 Dwell

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ENTERTAINMENT

THEATRES

WEST SIDE STORY... TOMMY STEELE... THE BUSINESS OF MURDER... CATS... THE MIST AWARDS... GRITTY RIVS JONES... TRUMPETS & RASPBERRIES... "INSPIRED" (working)...

Roy Cuckoo on photomontage

PHOTOGRAPHY How subterfuge is fit to print

It was Uncle Cyril who started the rot when he arrived for tea on his motorcycle; Michael Bennett added half a digestive biscuit to his charming picture...



Comic cut: Roy Cuckoo, a photomontage by Michael Bennett, who used a library picture for the background, a snap of a water tank and a portrait of a friend at home

Subterfuge is at the heart of photomontage and it is an inimitable crossroads for photographer/artist, involving as it does the creation of a single picture from separate photographic images...

Although there are a number of household names being shown (Matisse, Picasso) there is also an enormous amount of new talent. Edward Tait will be exhibiting the young Paula Rego's painting...

ROCK & JAZZ

28TH STREET SAXOPHONE QUARTET... GEORGE COLEMAN... BLUE NOTE REVISITED... ALISON MOYET...

CONCERTS

BENNETT, BENSON... LAM MEMORIAL... ANGELA BROWNRIDGE... JOHN BINGHAM... PATSY TOH...

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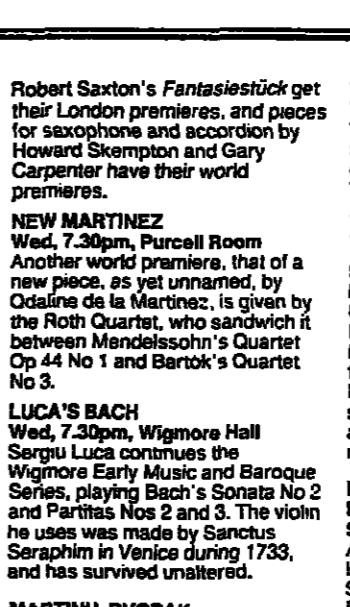
ROYAL OPERA HOUSE... WELSH NATIONAL OPERA... ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA... OPERA NORTH...

DANCE

ROYAL BALLET... FESTIVAL BALLET... SPLITZ... GARDNER CENTRE...

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ANTHONY GREEN: Suburban interiors, which often include portraits of his wife Mary, are Green's main subject. His canvases, often shaped to fit the fish-eye lens perspective from which he views the rooms, are crammed with details of ordinary life.



Chalkboards: Concerts at the Barbican and Wigmore Hall

Robert Saxton's Fantasiesstück get their London premieres, and pieces for saxophone and accordion by Howard Skempton and Gary Carpenter have their world premieres.

Selected PAUL TANQUERAY... THE VALLEY PROJECT... JOSEF KOUDELKA... NINE BY NINE... HOME FRONT AND STAYING ON... Photographers' Gallery, 5 & 8 Great Newport Street, London WC1 (491 7551).

Openings GARDNER CENTRE... RUSSIAN EXPRESSIONISTS: The first exhibition at a new gallery devoted to contemporary Soviet art: the three Russian painters in this show, Valentin Vorkobov, Vladimir Yakovlev and Anatoli Zverev began their careers in the 1950s when they attempted to revive the avant-garde movement stifled during the Stalinist era.

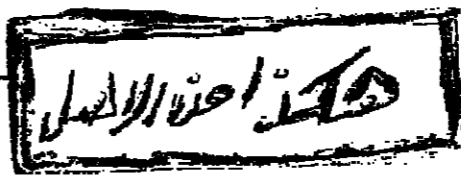
Selected YONDANI BUTT... SPIDER'S BANQUET... LUCA'S BACH... MARTINU, DVORAK... ENNEAD/LONDON... QUEEN MAB & CO...

ROYAL BALLET... FESTIVAL BALLET... SPLITZ... GARDNER CENTRE... A new dance company makes its debut in a programme called Hors d'Oeuvres on ice.



Magic: Jonathan Summers in Die Zauberflöte (Royal Opera)

also on page 30



THE ARTS

Dance

In the shadow of the masters of slapstick

Cinderella Covent Garden

The Royal Ballet has moved on to its second Christmas show, which fortunately has a lot more choreographic interest than the Nutcracker...



An ordinary monster: Ugly sister Derek Rencher

corpse than he had been able to until then; her dances are crisp, exact, intricate, as Prokofiev's music insists...

John Percival

Concerts

The ugly duckling as swan

BBC Singers/Aldis Barbican/Radio 3

Night three, and the BBC's Stockhausen festival remains at peak energy. Here we were following on from the chronological path of the previous evening...

under John Aldis gave Mikrophonie II in its English version, which helped to point up the jokes in the signals and little dialogues...

It was a hard act to follow. Being more knowing, Michael Vetter's vocal interpretation of Spiral began by seeming too prepared, too consciously controlled...

Paul Griffiths

Park Lane Group Purcell Room

This was a classic Park Lane Group evening. It began with a short but brilliantly delivered trumpet recital by Jonathan Impett...

ingeniously slowed-down delay. Nor could this work, indeed, be easily compared with Roger Smalley's Echo III (1978)...

panache, as, more elegantly, was Gordon Crosse's deeply moving memorial for Janet Craxton, Fear No More.

Stephen Pettitt

Lardini Consort Wigmore Hall

Currently touring on the Early Music Network is "Viva l'amore!", the Lardini Consort's programme of songs and dances by its eponymous patron...

most complex contrapuntal ingenuities. A surreal dream of the seaside, a hunt of a "White hare" that turns out to be a compliant woman...

moving threnody Ochi doieni, whose text ("sad eyes, always weeping") must have had a special significance for the blind composer...

Richard Morrison

Television

Caviare, missiles and mayhem

There will be ten episodes in Dempsey and Makepeace, which began with a 10-minute piece of mayhem on LWT last night. The corpses will undoubtedly make a formidable heap by the end of the series.

not-too-regretfully watch him depart. "They handled Argentina", was the reply, which is a fair indication of the standard of the dialogue.

stunts are good and no expense has been spared in demolishing cars, lorries, furniture, and people.

Dennis Hackett

Radio

From the lip-smacking to the lamentable

I am pretty shamefaced that The Food Programme (Radio 4, Sundays; producer, Joy Hatwood) has been with us on and off since the autumn of 1979...

to make The Food Programme in the best sense such a solid bit of broadcasting. And then, as I've suggested, both it and its presenter cover the most impressive range of subject matter.

subsidize them. Sir Keith appeared vastly amused at his interlocutor's simplicity and assured him that there was money enough...

This, devised by Christopher Driver, was drawn from a number of English diaries from Pepys onwards and consisted of passages reflecting the eating and over-eating habits of the time.

I shall not be able to defer mention of Crisis in Education (Radio 4, Tuesdays; producer, Christopher Stone) for more than four years because there are only four weekly parts and we are already halfway through.

Charged in the first programme with presiding over a situation in which some schools can no longer buy the books they need unless the parents - those who can afford it -

CHRISTIE'S EVENING CONCERTS With the Royal College of Music Chamber Players Directed by Rodney Friend

Stand with Ramesses II against the Hittites in the first battle in history. At the entrance to the vast columned halls of Karnak, vivid reliefs conjure up for you the battle of Qadesh in 1285 B.C.

FUR LIQUIDATION SALE SUN JAN 13th ALL STOCKS MUST GO HOLIDAY INN CHELSEA KNIGHTSBRIDGE, SELLING 9am-6pm JAN 13th

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THE TIMES Portfolio

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STOCK EXCHANGE PRICES Equities and gilts plunge

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THE TIMES Portfolio DAILY DIVIDEND £4,000 WEEKLY DIVIDEND £40,000 Claims required for 4-26 points Claims required for 1-39 points

FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Hands-off policy: the markets bite back

Last July, when interest rates finally rose, the Government was rightly berated for failing to make its policy clear. The markets half-suspected it was secretly shadowing the European currencies. This was made more embarrassing by previous insistence by the Bank of England that there was no monetary need for an increase, which led to some difficult explanations when it was eventually permitted.

The Bank can comfort itself. If the finger is pointing anywhere after yesterday's rise, it is at the Treasury - for precisely the opposite reason. The Treasury has been making the Government's indifference to the exchange rate brutally clear. This convinced the markets that almost any other currency would be a good bet against the pound, because the Government would respond to any sign of dollar weakness by cutting British interest rates; or even that the Government was actively happy to see a lower sterling exchange rate in order to maximize its revenues from the North Sea and to improve the international competitiveness of British industry.

Wedd joins the ID parade
On Monday the international dealership game will become serious. Wedd Duracher Mordaunt & Co. starts its international dealer operation, a development whose significance goes beyond the simple fact that Wedd is one of the London Stock Exchange's two dominant stockjobbers, and taking both gilts and equities, the number one.

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I.D.s, as they were promptly dubbed in the stock market, were one of the Stock Exchange Council's first gestures towards the forthcoming "big bang" of negotiated commissions and dual capacity. From April 9 last year jobbers are allowed to deal directly with the public in securities listed outside the United Kingdom and the Irish Republic. This enabled them to break the edict that they had to deal through stockbrokers, while for the time being preserving the ethic of single capacity.

Trading in Espley suspended

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

Shares in the troubled property group Espley Trust were suspended on the Stock Exchange yesterday morning after the report in The Times that petitions for winding up the group and a subsidiary were included in the day's list of petitions to be heard in the companies division of the High Court on Monday.

Bankers rethink City site

By Judith Huntley

Greenwell & Co, the stockbroker being under the same roof as the rest of the merchant bank's operations. Samuel Montagu bought 20.9 per cent stake of the brokers last year.

MARKET SUMMARY
STOCK MARKETS
FT Ind Ord 968.3 (-14.1)
FT-A All Share 80.95 (-0.80)
FT Govt Securities 1248.8 (-12.4)
FT-SE 100 1248.8 (-12.4)
Datastream USM 105.82 (-1.08)
New York Dow Jones 1220.86 (-2.65)
Tokyo Nikkei Dow 11,812.24 (-12.14)
Hong Kong Hang Seng 1382.89 (+34.14)
Amsterdam 188.8 (+0.2)
Sydney AO 730.5 (+7.5)
Frankfurt Commerzbank 1142.7 (+1.9)
Brussels General 163.60 (+3.54)
Paris CAC 180.0 (+1.0)
Zurich SKA General 331.70 (-1.3)
GOLD
London fixing: am \$304 pm \$304.25 close \$305.75-\$304.25
New York COMEX \$303.50

Royal Bank to pay £100m for Charterhouse Japhet

By William Kay and Jeremy Warner

Charterhouse J Rothschild, the financial group put together little over a year ago by Mr Jacob Rothschild, is planning to sell its merchant banking arm, Charterhouse Japhet, to the Royal Bank of Scotland group for substantially more than £100 million in cash.



Procter (left) and Rothschild: talks on takeover

The shares of CJR and the Royal Bank were suspended first thing yesterday morning, while the terms are finalized. These are expected to be announced on Monday, and the Royal Bank has indicated that it intends to pay for the deal with a rights issue.

takeover were instigated by the Royal Bank, which approached Mr Rothschild shortly before Christmas through its established merchant bank adviser, Baring Brothers. The transaction, whether it comes off, has profound implications for Mr Rothschild's future strategy. Last year he failed in an ambitious attempt to merge CJR with Hambro Life Assurance in what would have been one of the biggest financial supermarkets. But since that fell through he

put into risk arbitrage, leveraged buyouts and block trading in shares. "We shall be transaction-oriented," a spokesman said.

What remains is a 29 per cent stake in the stockbrokers, Kitson and Aitken, some lease broking and export finance operations, and a 50 per cent holding in L F Unterberg and Towbin, the New York investment bank. This will be used as the base for an international dealing business with a distinctly US flavour. The cash pile will be

IN BRIEF

Base rates hit shares

The stock market fell heavily yesterday after the clearing banks announced a 1 per cent rise in base rates to 10.5 per cent. A further increase of 1 per cent to 11.5 per cent is widely expected by the market.

Paper profits

Associated Newspapers is paying a final dividend of 9.5p for the year to September 30, making a total of 14p (12p). Pretax profits rose from £16.5 million to £21.75 million.

Swiss bank buys stake in broker

The London stockbroker Buckmaster & Moore is to link up with Credit-Suisse, the seventeenth largest bank in the world.

Ladbroke wins

Ladbroke has won control of Comfort Hotels International. By yesterday afternoon it owned or had received acceptances in respect of \$9.1 per cent of Comfort ordinary shares.

Mnemos cash

Sperry Corporation, the US computer group, yesterday paid Mnemos, the Unlisted Securities Market stock, the first instalment of a \$5m (£4.2m) cash injection. In return, Sperry will have the right to market the company's optical disc-based technology for US military purposes.

Shoe surge

Stead & Simpson, the shoe retailer and motor trader, say a 49 per cent advance in interim pretax profits to £2.48 million. The dividend was raised to 2p from 1.5p.

Cutback in deficit top priority, says Regan

From Bailey Morris Washington

Mr Donald Regan, newly named as White House Chief of Staff, believes that deficit reduction remains the Reagan Administration's first priority despite persistent reports that President Reagan has abdicated control of the US Budget to Congress.

The outgoing Treasury Secretary, who was named on Tuesday to the White House post in a job swap with Mr James Baker, denied vigorously yesterday that the President is leaving to Congress the tough deficit reduction decisions.

At the same time, Mr Regan said he planned important personnel changes at the White House and to bring a new style of management to the top staff post in the Administration. It was possible, for example, that a White House position might be found for Mrs Jeane Kirkpatrick, the outgoing Ambassador to the United Nations, who is to meet the President after his inauguration to discuss her future.

Mr James Wright, the Democratic majority leader, said yesterday that Congress would not take the lead in helping the President to reduce the deficit by initiating a reduction of social security retirement benefits.

Opec likely to cut oil prices by \$2

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

World oil prices are now being consistently undercut by prices on the spot markets - are likely to be cut by up to \$2 by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries at its emergency meeting due to start in Geneva on January 28.

Any cut in the Opec price would be immediately followed by Britain and Norway, which have stalled on setting new North Sea oil prices for the first quarter of this year. The dominant Opec member, Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, the Saudi Arabian oil minister, has it understood, told his Opec colleagues that there is now little hope of keeping the Opec official price at its present level of \$29 a barrel.

His strong defence of the White House budget strategy came amid continuing rumours of more high-level changes and political manoeuvring over proposed domestic spending cuts in Regan's second term.

Mr Robert Michel, the Republican minority leader, said that House Republicans were also unlikely to support the social security cuts.

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RISERS:
C H Bailey 148p +36p
Falcon Resources 29p +4p
Hastell International 27p +3p
Jonas Woodhead 28p +3p
Neil & Spencer 42p +4p
Barham Group 37p +3p
Daily Mail A 88p +8p
Daily Mail & General 75p +8p
British Arrow 104p +7p
Parsons Industries 358p +23p
Braville Europe 13p +1p
Paringer Mining 66p +5p
LCP Holdings 110p +8p
Belhaven Brewery 43p +3p
Kode International 185p +12p
Kalamazoo 37p +5p
UKO International 104p +5p
Hambros LV 175p +10p
FALLERS:
Mullions Electronics 80p -16p
Invest Energy 51p -6p
Carnar International 27p -3p
ICC Oil Services 14.5p -1.5p
Micrivity 63p -8p
Metal Sciences 12p -1p
Weeks Associates 13p -1p

CURRENCIES
London:
£: \$1.1297 (-0.0033)
DM: 3.5582 (-0.008)
SwFr: 2.5785 (-0.0135)
FFf: 10.8930 (-0.0285)
Yen: 288.40 (-1.25)
Index: 71.3 (-0.3)
New York:
£: \$1.1240
DM: 3.5682
\$ Index: 145.5 (-0.1)
INTEREST RATES
London:
Bank Base: 10 1/2%
3-month Interbank: 10% - 10 1/4%
3-month eligible bills: buying rate 10% - 10 1/4%
US:
Prime Rate: 10.75%
Federal Funds 8 1/4%
3-month Treasury Bills: 7.75% (7.72%)
Long bond 10 1/4% (10 1/4%)

Perpetual Group
Income Fund
Growth Fund
Managers' Annual Report 1984
This increase compares to a rise in the Capital International Index over the same period, of 49%. It means that an original investment of £1,000 would now be worth £15,950, compared to it being worth £2,170 if placed in a Building Society Share Account at the same time.

WALL STREET

Table of stock market activity including columns for date (Jan 9, Jan 10, Jan 11, Jan 12) and various stock indices and prices.

Active start for traders

New York (Reuters) - Market was mixed in active early trading on Wall Street yesterday. The Dow Jones industrial average, which soared 20.76 to 1,233.50 on Thursday was down 0.66 to 1,222.84.

The New York Stock Exchange index was down 0.07 to 97.06 and the price of an average share was down 3 cents. Advances led declines 732-514. First-hour volume amounted to about 39,370,000 shares compared with 25,320,000 in the same period on Thursday.

COMMODITIES

Table of commodity prices including LONDON COMMODITY PRICES, RUBBER, HIBBER, LONDON METAL EXCHANGE, COPPER HIGH GRADE, SUGAR, and LONDON GOLD FUTURES.

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Table of money market rates and gold prices, including Euro-currency deposits, Treasury bills, and local authority deposits.

APPOINTMENTS

Waltons & Morse: Mr Brian Baldry has become a partner. More O'Ferrall UK: Mr L. S. Devereux and Mr R. G. Daglish have become joint assistant managing directors of the newly-formed subsidiary.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The pound hit yet another record low on foreign exchanges, despite the increase in base rates, which was generally regarded as too little and too late. It rallied towards the close as the dollar fluctuated, but ended the day 33 points down on the overnight rate at \$1.1297 against the dollar.

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

Table of London financial futures prices for three-month sterling, three-month Eurodollar, and US Treasury bonds.

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Table of investment trusts with columns for company name, price, and percentage change.

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Table of sterling spot and forward rates for various currencies and terms.

AUTHORIZED UNIT TRUSTS

Table of authorized unit trusts listing various investment vehicles and their details.

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

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A friend in the insurance business reckons he knows a method of getting claims paid

'The real problem is people do not read their policies'

that never fails. "You sign your claim letter and put FIA after your name. In an insurance company the actuary is like a god and if the insurance clerk handling your claim believes you are a Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries, he is terrified of turning down a claim from someone who may know the boss."

History does not relate whether this method actually works, but there are a number of precautions you can take to ensure that your claim is not rejected simply because you have failed to comply with the requirements of the policy.

"The real problem is that people just do not read their policies", Miss Aileen Boyd, of the British Insurance Association says.

The Insurance Ombudsman reports a similar experience with many claims being turned

down quite legitimately because the customer is claiming for something the policy does not cover.

"But people do expect a lot from their insurers. The most important thing to remember with travel medical insurance, for example, is that the insurance company will definitely want some kind of report from the doctor, hospital or medical officer who saw you. This is very difficult to get once you are back home and you should not leave your holiday resort without it", Miss Boyd says.

Every year thousands of holidaymakers get caught out

on dangerous sports exclusions. Most people are aware of the fact that they will need special cover for skiing but few know that riding a moped or motorcycle is a common exclusion in the majority of holiday travel policies.

"Do take your policy with you on holiday because it will probably have a 24-hour emergency telephone number and it will certainly tell you what is required to complete a claim", Miss Boyd says.

In some cases it can be vital to have the policy with you. Endsleigh, the student insurer, for example says in its policy, "claims for medical expenses can only be dealt with if the indemnification form is filled in completely (which requires a hospital or doctor's stamp) and if it is accompanied by original bills." Not very helpful if you have forgotten to take your policy with you.

Some package holiday travel policies still contain "pre-existing medical conditions" exclusion which means that if you go down with your third bout of bronchitis this winter on top of the Matterhorn, the insurers will probably not pay up.

"What the insurance company is looking for is some real evidence of loss. Too many people come back from holiday, find themselves hard up and think: can we get something back on the insurance?" Miss Boyd remarks, explaining that

this is why the insurance company will want evidence that any loss from theft has been reported to the police. "If something is stolen get a police report and if your luggage is lost, do not leave the airport without something confirming the loss from the airline," she advises.

And do not think it will not happen to you. Of the five million to six million travel policies sold each year, some 300,000 end up as claims.

Claiming for those burst pipes and water damage is not going to be so easy this year either. "Virtually all insurers have lost money on their household accounts and some,

Though damage from leaking pipes is usually covered by contents and buildings insurance (depending on whether it is carpets, walls or both which are damaged) the cost of replacing the actual burst pipe is not always included. Biggest headache is frost damage, which is nearly always excluded and can play havoc with driveways and stuccoed walls.

Miss Boyd lists a few helpful points when making a claim.

"Keep all receipts as the insurance company will want evidence of any expenditure. Do what you can, as soon as you can, to prevent further damage - turn off the water at the mains, for example. But do not take anything more than emergency measures until you have consulted your insurance company.

It will be able to advise you what costs are covered by your policy and what expenses you will have to bear yourself. Do notify your insurance company as soon as possible of any potential claim."

If you have a claim that you think has been unfairly rejected by the insurance company, you can always refer your case to the Insurance Ombudsman's Bureau (31 Southampton Row, London WC1E 7HU. Tel: 01 242 8613).

Provided your insurance company is a member of the scheme, (and most are), the Insurance Ombudsman has powers to arbitrate and decide whether or not your claim should be paid. The beauty of the scheme is that his decision is binding on the insurance company and it is obliged to pay up if he finds in your favour. If the decision goes against you, and you are not satisfied, you can still go to court in the normal way. The service is free.

'Keep receipts as insurance firms will want evidence'

like the Pru, have had such horrific losses in high risk areas, that they have increased the premiums to the point where these householders simply will not be able to afford to pay.

Claims managers are likely to scrutinize everything with an eagle eye this winter. If the damage is minimal and the bill is not likely to come to much more than £100, it will probably pay to keep your claim under the £100 limit. This is the figure below which most insurers pay out without asking too many questions.

To end on a cheerful note, a word of praise for the amazingly efficient service provided by National Westminster Bank Insurance Services.

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FOOTBALL

Leicester must replay cup tie as penalty for crowd hooliganism

Barton Albion's FA Cup third-round tie against Leicester City must be replayed on Monday afternoon behind closed doors...

course of games to be influenced by hooligans. Terry Shipman, the Leicester chairman, said: "I am not particularly happy about this decision..."

have ordered a tie to be replayed since 1974, when they upheld a Nottingham Forest protest that a crowd invasion at St James's Park helped Newcastle United turn a 3-1 deficit into a 4-3 win.

Pools panel kick off at Waldorf Hotel

By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent

One of the few fixtures that is certain to take place today at London's Waldorf Hotel. The team sheet is unusually small but the six men on it (Lord Bath, Arthur Ellis, Tony Green, Roger Hunt, Stan Mortensen and Ronnie Simpson) do not usually take an active role...

West Ham United's morning game against Chelsea was one of the earliest casualties. The referee once he saw that ice was lying under the snow at Upton Park, made his decision in "no more than five seconds"...

If the matches themselves are shrouded in doubt, most of the line-ups are veiled in uncertainty. Only seven first division managers were prepared to disclose their formations...

Although their opponents have delayed their selections, some facts are known. Stoke City will have a new goalkeeper at Leicester in Barron, who is on loan from West Bromwich Albion...

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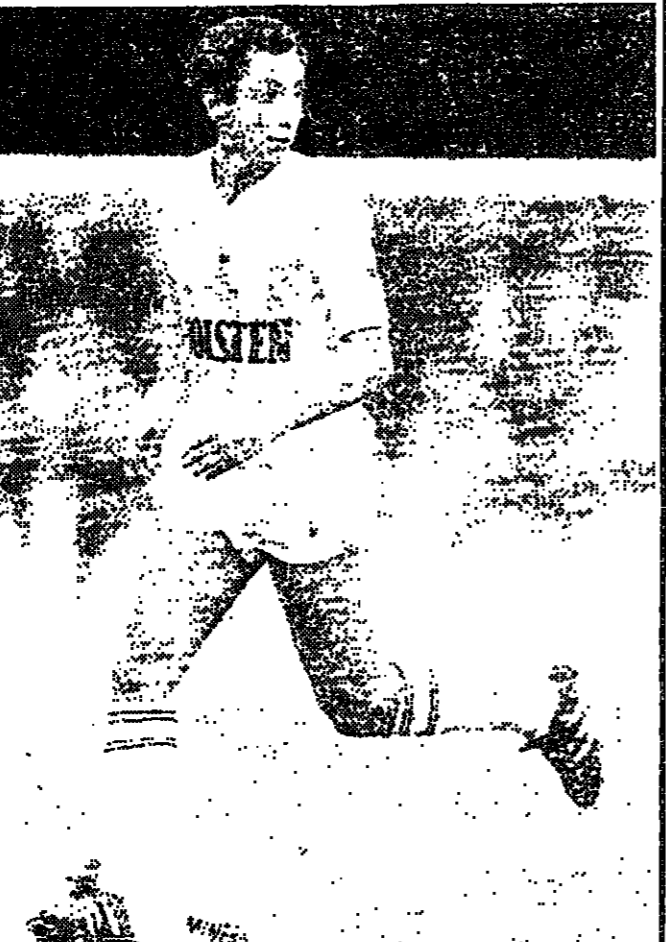
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Ardies: Tottenham's substitute at Loftus Road.

Nicholas, substituted in both of the last two games, is preferred to Allison a Highbury, where Ipswich Town may introduce their recent acquisition, Wilson, who was bought for £150,000 from Derby County.

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Easterby is the name to follow

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Not for the first time it should pay to follow the Easterby family at Newcastle today. Peter can start the ball rolling by saddling Just Alick...

Although opposed by Our Louise, who has won five of her six races this season, and Amber Heights, who made it to his jumping career at Caterick last month, Just Alick is still my idea of the day's best bet.

As far as today's opposition is concerned Peter Easterby must have a pretty shrewd idea whether Just Alick can beat Our Louise as the only time that he has been defeated this season was when she encountered Jobrook, another of the horses that he trains with such skill at Matton.

beginning of December, Mossy Moore then ran unaccountably badly at Wetherby on Boxing Day when he was beaten a total of 47 lengths. However, the word from Hawick, where he is trained by Ken and Rona Oliver, is that we should forget that performance because it was too bad to be true and completely out of character.

Final Karabake, who had some quite useful form on the Flat when trained by Guy Harwood, can make a successful start to his jumping career by winning the Mallard Novices' Hurdle at the expense of Chipchase and Cannonage.

Course specialists NEWCASTLE TRAINERS' MESSY MOORE winners from 127 runners, 20.0% M Crump 10 from 87, 19.9% A Scott 13 from 76, 17.1%...

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RACING: CUNNINGHAM CAN PULL OFF FIRST LEG OF SWEEPS-SCHWEPPE DOUBLE



Mossy Moore, who attempts to defy top weight in Newcastle's Bittern Handicap Chase.

Frederick will attempt to win the Sweep Hurdle for the third successive year at Leopardstown this afternoon. He has, however, been backed substantially in the weights, due to the defection of the original top-weights in the handicaps...

These two young jumpers were both winners at Leopardstown over Christmas. Prince of Wales, bringing off a 33-1 shock in the Black and White Whisky Hurdle, beating a number of today's rivals including Rosical and Racing Bloom.

Bonals ran twice after Christmas falling firstly to get in a challenge to an all-the-way winner That's Show Biz and then made amends with a victory over Money From America.

Edwards O'Grady has had difficulty this winter in getting his Thoroughbred winners in the Champion Hurdle, fully wound up but he was caught by the smoothness with which he beat Charlie's Cottage over 2 1/2 miles at Punchestown after Christmas.

Prospects for Monday are grim. An inspection will be held at Wolverhampton at midday today and John Fox, the clerk of the course, said: "There is severe frost in the ground and two to three inches of snow over the course. I'm afraid the outlook is hopeless."

1.00 Gav's Delight, 1.30 Kalaminsky, 2.00 Big Larry, 2.30 Rosical 3.00 Nikilowka, 3.30 Master Course, 4.00 BALTIC SEA (NAP).

1.30 KILCRONEY HURDLE (E1,380; 2m) (23) 1 310 BRAMBLEBUSH EXPRESS (W Brown) 8-11-11 M J Quilty 2 310 BRAMBLEBUSH EXPRESS (W Brown) 8-11-11 M J Quilty...

2.00 TICKNOCK HANDICAP HURDLE (E1,242; 3m) (18) 1 011 BANKERS BENEFT J Fowler 5-11-0 M J Fowler 2 1 011 BANKERS BENEFT J Fowler 5-11-0 M J Fowler...

Rosical on right mark to stop English raiders

From Our Irish Correspondent, Dublin

On the score of superior maturity I prefer Rosical whose trainer, Michael Cunningham, has ambitions of bringing off a unique handicap double in the Sweep and Schweppe Hurdles. Rosical was having his first run of the season when taking second place to Yankee's Princess at his rider, Ken Morgan, is confident that his mount will reverse the placings today.

Likewise, Michael Cunningham believes that he has improved him nicely since running here and he points out that when still a virtual novice he was good enough to win a well-contested Downshire Handicap Hurdle at Punchestown. The principal danger to Rosical may come from prizeaux boys.

Ken Morgan, himself, has an excellent chance of a big race double this afternoon as he will subsequently team up with the top weight and likely favourite KILBOWKA in the Aynsley China Cup Handicap Chase. Kilkilowka was second to King's Servant over two miles last time out and won this race a year ago. The two he has to fear most are the smoothness with which he beat Charlie's Cottage over 2 1/2 miles at Punchestown after Christmas.

At however, I would rate Prizeaux Boy the best of the three English runners as he was only beaten a short head by Flarey Sark at Newbury a fortnight ago. He was caught on that occasion near the line and the fact that the inside course will be used at Leopardstown this afternoon will be in his favour as will be the booking of John O'Neill who knows the track well.

John O'Neill, who rides Prizeaux Boy

2.30 SWEEPS HANDICAP HURDLE (E224,393; 2m) (20 runners) 1 116-322 DESERT ORCHID (R Barford) D Eborath 6-12-0 J C Brown 2 100-322 FREDICOTER (T Murphy) A Moore 5-11-13 T J Taffin...

3.00 AYNSELY CHINA CUP HANDICAP CHASE (Listed race; grade C; E22,782; 2m 4f) (14) 1 012 MALLACURRY (M Cairn) J Oliver 9-11-13 M J Walsh 2 012 MALLACURRY (M Cairn) J Oliver 9-11-13 M J Walsh...

3.30 ASHFORD FLAT RACE (Amateurs; E1,086; 2m) (20) 1 002 SHARBEA P Mullins 5-10-0 A Mullins 2 002 SHARBEA P Mullins 5-10-0 A Mullins...

4.0 TAYLOR NH FLAT RACE (Amateurs; E596; 2m) (15) 1 011 BALLYMORE STATUS L Doyle 11-7 J Doyle 2 1 011 BALLYMORE STATUS L Doyle 11-7 J Doyle...

5.00 ELECTRIC ANGEL, E. Fowler 5-10-11 M J Quilty 6 000 KEEP BEE (W Dunlop) 8-11-0 M J Quilty 7 000 ELECTRIC ANGEL, E. Fowler 5-10-11 M J Quilty...

Law Report
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Justices are protected in execution of office

Regina v Waltham Forest Justices, Ex parte Solanke Before Mr Justice Woolf (Judgment delivered December 21). As long as a justice of the peace purported to act in his capacity as a justice, sitting in court and dealing with the case before him, he was acting in execution of his office for the purposes of section 52 of the Justices of the Peace Act 1953...

Mr Ishmael Kumi for the applicant; Mr John Laws for the justices. MR JUSTICE WOOLF said that the applicant's wife had complained to the justices that he had failed to pay £1,941 to her and their children under a High Court order...

However, the order had never been registered in the magistrates' court, and they had therefore had no jurisdiction to commit the applicant to prison. An order of certiorari to quash the order had been granted by consent...

To answer that question it was necessary to consider other provisions of Part V of the 1979 Act, namely sections 44, 45, 51 and 53. In Regina v McCa (The Times, November 28, 1984) [1984] 3 WLR 1277, the majority of the House of Lords held that justices were no longer liable in respect of acts done within their jurisdiction...

For the justices, it had been contended that this case, which was concerned with whether acts had been done in the execution of an office, should be distinguished from those where it had been held that a police officer acting unlawfully was not acting in execution of his duty...

Next, it had been argued that the applicant had imposed a greater punishment than that assigned by law because section 93(6) of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 prohibited the imposition of a sentence unless the justices had complied with certain conditions and those conditions had not been complied with...

Otherwise, section 52 could never apply where justices had imposed a prison sentence without jurisdiction. In his Lordship's judgment, there was no clear distinction to be drawn between acts done in excess of jurisdiction and those done without jurisdiction...

In Regina v Lambeth LBC, Ex parte Slapp (The Times December 28, 1984) counsel for Lambeth were Mr Arthur Ward, not Mr Alan Ward, QC. In Regina v Hampshire CC, Ex parte Ellerton (The Times January 3, 1985) senior counsel for Hampshire was Mr Robert Reid, QC, not Mr John Reid, QC.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAL SERVICES. BIRTHS: BAILEY - On January 9 in Rotterdam in the birth of a daughter, a son and a daughter...

BIRTHS (continued): BIRNIE - On 10th January, 1985 at St. Mary's Hospital, a son and a daughter. BIRNIE - On 8th January 1985 in London, a son and a daughter...

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